

**Remarks/Arguments:**

Claims 38-72 are pending. Claims 38, 40, 41, 53, 54, 57, 66, 68, 69 and 72 stand rejected. Claims 39, 42-52, 55, 56, 58-65, 67 and 70-71 are objected to. Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication that claims 39, 42-52, 55-56, 58-65, 67 and 70-71 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. By this Amendment, applicants have cancelled claims 38 and 68. Applicants have also amended claims 39, 42-48, 51 and 70-71 to be in independent form. Applicants have also amended claims 40 and 72 to depend upon an allowable independent claim. Additionally, applicants have added claim 72. Basis for this claim may be found in claim 72 as originally filed. No new matter is added.

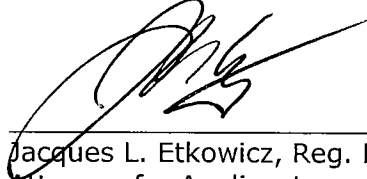
Accordingly, because all remaining claims have otherwise been indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form or ultimately depend upon an allowable claim, applicants respectfully request that claims 39-67 and 69-73 be allowed.

Although the Office Action cited U.S. Patent 6,580,385 to Winner et al., applicants noted that the form PTO-892 failed to include this reference but rather cited U.S. Patent 6,850,385 to Woods which discloses a disc drive apparatus. Therefore, in order to complete the record, applicants submit herewith an Information Disclosure Statement citing U.S. Patent 6,580,385 to Winner et al.

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth above, applicants submit that the above-identified application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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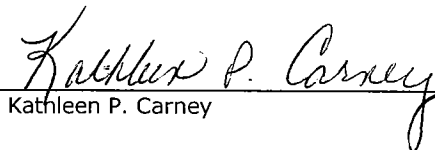
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